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Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Examiner Lambertson:

This response addresses the Office Action mailed on January 4, 2005, which has a shortened statutory period for reply ending on May 4, 2005, upon acceptance of the attached Petition for Extension of Time of one-month. Clean and marked-up versions of a substitute specification are attached in Appendices A and B, respectively. Appendix C contains a copy of the translated foreign priority document with a certification by the translator on page 78 of the document; and, Appendix D contains a copy of the ATCC International Form Receipt for Patent Deposit Designation PTA-2260 with a signed Statement Assuring Release of Deposit.

Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

The Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

The Amendments to the Specification begin on page 9 of this Amendment.

The Remarks begin on page 10 of this Amendment.